

Change of leadership at Flanders

Flanders Corp has removed Steve Clark as president, chief executive officer (CEO) and temporary principal accounting officer. Chairman and former Flanders CEO Robert Amerson has taken over from Clark, who remains a member of the board of directors.

"I want to thank Steve for his service to the company. The board felt that a change in direction was necessary at this time," Amerson said. "Management will immediately undertake a review of all operations including factory utilization, sales practices, product mix and staffing with an eye toward increasing shareholder value by improving utilization and operations."

Flanders has also appointed Harry Smith as chief operating officer. Smith has a long history in the air filtration industry. At Flanders he has held roles of increasing responsibility including working with ARW - Wholesale Division; FSS-Filter Sales and Service; FFI-Flanders Filters Inc;

CSC-Charcoal Services Inc and AirSeal Filter Housings. "Harry is a tremendous asset to Flanders. He understands the business, our factories, sales and all constituencies. His appointment creates consistency within the organization, and will help us improve operations," Amerson said. Buddy Mercer will remain as vice president of operations.

Flanders controller Cully Bohush has been named interim chief accounting officer. The company is conducting a search for a permanent chief financial officer.

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COMMENT

Amerson returns to head up Flanders at a particularly challenging time, as the company deals with the aftermath of the fire at its Bartow, Florida facility and the loss of the plant (see *Filtration Industry Analyst*, July 2007). ■

ITT Fluid Technology adopts new structure

ITT has reorganised its Fluid Technology group into three value centres: Water & Wastewater, Residential & Commercial Water and Industrial Process.

ITT Water & Wastewater (WWW), headquartered in Sundbyberg, Sweden, integrates Flygt and most of Advanced Water Treatment (AWT), excluding WET and C'Treat. By combining Flygt's wastewater and dewatering pumps with AWT's biologic, filtration and disinfection products, ITT believes that the new WWW offers a complete line of transport and treatment systems for municipal and industrial wastewater customers.

ITT Residential & Commercial Water (RCW), which is headquartered in Morton

Grove, Illinois, manufactures water wells, pressure boosters, irrigation pumps, HVAC systems, boiler controls and fire protection systems. RCW will be complemented by the WET business, which provides advanced membrane technologies, including reverse osmosis systems.

The former Industrial & BioPharm value centre has been renamed Industrial Process (IP) and is headquartered in Seneca Falls, New York. Following the reorganisation, IP now includes C'Treat, a business that provides advanced membrane technologies for offshore applications.

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